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8 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
10 LOS ANGELES DIVISION

11 In re

Case No.: 2:23-bk-10990-SK

12 LESLIE KLEIN,

Chapter 11

13 Debtor.

14 **ORDER GRANTING MOTION OF**
CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE AUTHORIZING
THE EXAMINATION OF VALLEY
NATIONAL BANCORP. PURSUANT TO
FED. R. BANKR. P. 2004

15 [No Hearing Required]

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18 On September 15, 2023, Bradley D. Sharp, the duly appointed chapter 11 trustee (the
19 “Trustee”), filed his *Notice of Motion and Motion of Chapter 11 Trustee, for Order Authorizing the*
20 *Examination of Valley National Bancorp. Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2004; Memorandum of*
21 *Points and Authorities; Declarations of Bradley D. Sharp, Nicholas Troszak and Jeffrey P. Nolan in*
22 *Support Thereof* (the “Motion”) [Docket No. 351]. The Court, having considered the Motion, the
23 accompanying Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the Declarations in support of the Motion,
24 the exhibit thereto, and based on its review and consideration, the Court finds that (i) notice of the
25 Motion was adequate and appropriate, and no further or other notice need be given; (ii) the authority
26 requested by the Trustee to issue a subpoena substantially in the form identified in the Motion as
27 Exhibit I is appropriate; and (iii) good cause exists to grant the Motion.
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1 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

2 1. The Motion is GRANTED in its entirety;

3 2. The Trustee is authorized, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 1106(a)(3) of title 11 of the

4 United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”), Rules 2004 and 9016 of the Federal Rules of

5 Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”), and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2004-1, to issue and

6 serve a subpoena substantially in the form attached to the Motion as Exhibit I to compel the

7 attendance of the Proposed Examinee, Valley National Bancorp., for production and testimony on

8 the dates stated therein or such other date as is mutually agreed between Valley National Bancorp.

9 and the Trustee;¹

10 3. The Trustee shall serve the Rule 2004 Subpoena and a copy of this Order on (i)

11 Valley National Bancorp. and (ii) the United States Trustee for the Central District of California and

12 shall file with the Court an affidavit or declaration of service of the Rule 2004 Subpoena;

13 4. In the event of any discovery dispute in relation hereto, counsel and Valley National

14 Bancorp. shall first meet and confer in an effort to resolve the dispute in accordance with Local

15 Bankruptcy Rule 7026;

16 5. This order is without prejudice to the Debtor’s right to file further motions seeking

17 additional documents or testimony pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2004(a) or any other applicable

18 Bankruptcy Rules; and

19 6. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to resolve any dispute arising from or related to

20 this order, including any discovery disputes that may arise between or among the parties, and to

21 interpret, implement and otherwise enforce the provisions of this order.

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Date: October 4, 2023



Sandra R. Klein
United States Bankruptcy Judge

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¹ Capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.